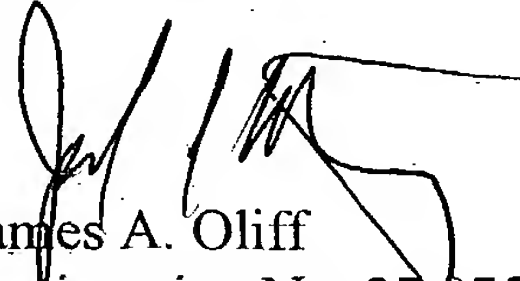


**REMARKS**

Claims 1-21 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, claims 3-7, 12-14, 16-18, 20 and 21 are amended to remove multiple dependencies.

Prompt and favorable consideration of the amendments is respectfully requested.

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